

BIOGRAPHY OF ADMIRAL STANSFIELD TURNER

Admiral Stansfield Turner, United States Navy, was sworn in as Director of Central Intelligence on March 9, 1977. As such, he is responsible for the collection, analysis, and dissemination of intelligence for the Intelligence Community as a whole, as well as directing the operations of the Central Intelligence Agency.

A native of Highland Park, Illinois, Admiral Turner entered Amherst College in 1941 and, two years later, was appointed to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. After graduation in 1946 (Class of 1947), he served one year at sea before entering Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar for work on a master's degree in Philosophy, Politics and Economics.

Following Oxford, he held a variety of sea assignments, including command of a minesweeper, a destroyer, and a guided missile frigate which he placed in commission. His shore assignments included the Politico-Military Policy Division in the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Systems Analysis, the Advanced Management Program at the Harvard Business School, and Executive Assistant and Naval Aide to the Secretary of the Navy.

He was selected for promotion to Rear Admiral in May 1970, and shortly thereafter assumed command of a Carrier Task Group of the Sixth Fleet while serving aboard the aircraft carrier USS Independence. After that, he directed the Systems Analysis Division of the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations.

On June 30, 1972, Admiral Turner became the 36th President of the Naval War College at Newport, Rhode Island, with the rank of Vice Admiral. During his two-year tenure there, he instituted major revisions in the curriculum to strengthen its academic content.

In August 1974, he became commander of the United States Second Fleet and NATO Striking Fleet Atlantic. He served in that capacity until August 1975 when he was named to become Commander in Chief, Allied Forces Southern Europe (AFSOUTH), with headquarters at Naples, Italy. Upon assuming that position on September 1, 1975, he was promoted to the rank of Admiral. He held this command until March 2, 1977, when he assumed his present duties.

Admiral Turner and his wife, Patricia, have two married children, a daughter, Laurel, and a son, Geoffrey.

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